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SUBJECT: GOI/GOS PRE-SUHARTO VISIT NEGOTIATIONS

REF: SINGAPORE 2395

S.R. NATHAN, DIRECTOR SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, MINDEF, HAS INFORMED US HE WOULD BE LEAVING THIS EVENING (JULY 30) FOR JAKARTA TO PARTICIPATE IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOI RELEVANT TO ACCORDS TO BE SIGNED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESIDENT SUHARTO'S VISIT TO SINGAPORE IN AUGUST. NATHAN SAID THAT HE HAD EARLIER BEEN LED TO BELIEVE THAT THIS NEGOTIATING SESSION AGENDA WOULD COVER TWO AREAS: (1) GOI/GOS ACCORD RELATING TO JOINT NAVAL PATROLLING OF THE MALACCA STRAITS IN WHICH THE GOI IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED BECAUSE OF SMUGGLING, AND (2) AN AGREEMENT ON USE INDONESIAN AIR SPACE IN WHICH THE GOS HAS THE PARAMOUNT INTEREST. POINT (2) IS APPARENT REFERENCE TO USE INDONESIAN AIRSPACE OVER SUMATRA BY SAF FOR TRAINING REFERRED TO BY MINISTER GOH IN CONVERSATION WITH ADMIRAL GAYLER (REFTEL). NATHAN, HOWEVER, WAS ANNOYED TO LEARN LAST NIGHT THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD COVER ONLY NAVAL PATROLLING PROBLEM. HE SAID THAT GOI'S UNWILLINGNESS TO COMBINE NEGOTIATIONS ON NAVAL PATROL WITH QUESTION OF USE OF AIRSPACE INDICATED

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GOI UNWILLINGNESS TO GRANT AN APPROPRIATE QUID PRO QUO

FOR NAVAL PATROL ACCORD. IF HE FINDS UPON ARRIVING IN
JAKARTA THAT GOI IS WILLING TO NEGOTIATE ONLY NAVAL
PATROL QUESTION HE SAID HE WOULD REFUSE, AND WOULD RETURN
TO SINGAPORE. HE CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT HE WANTED
WASHINGTON AND U.S. EMBASSIES IN SINGAPORE AND JAKARTA
TO UNDERSTAND WHAT HAD HAPPENED IF HE INDEED FINDS IT
NECESSARY TO RETURN TO SINGAPORE WITHOUT ENTERING INTO
NEGOTIATION SESSION FOR WHICH TRIP IS BEING UNDERTAKEN.
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